

STRAIGHT TALK

The election of Tuesday last, the result of which has proven so gratifying to the vast majority of citizens, suited us exactly. It hinged on the question as to whether the policy of the present city administration should be sustained and its personnel continued in power, or both should be changed. It is very evident that the people are sick and tired of the Park-Grant-Morris regime and desire a change. From the beginning, there was very little doubt regarding the outcome, and as the campaign continued, the Morris people made votes for Mont Ferry every day. Probably if the campaign had been of a week or two longer duration, the handsome majority polled for Mr. Ferry would have been greatly added to. The vote he received demonstrates conclusively that the people will not stand for unwarranted personal abuse.

Fearfully handicapped by the record of the present administration of which Slippery Dick has been the backbone, the mistakes and admissions in his campaign served only to further clinch his certain defeat, and it is really surprising that Mr. Ferry won by only five thousand. It was an asset for Mr. Ferry when Lon J. Hadlock was chosen campaign manager in the Morris camp, his asinine statements changing hundreds of votes that otherwise might have been retained by the slippery one, and Mr. Morris's final announcement over his signature regarding the police department, in which he stated that he believed in the administration of this department as conducted under Mayor Park was a campaign document that meant much to the Ferry supporters.

But without these interesting sidelights, the present administration would have been rebuked by a substantial majority of the thinking voters, for since the beginning, the citizens have had their fill of the present administration. In this connection, we believe that this journal may be pardoned for taking considerable credit to itself for having given publicity to the glaring errors that have occurred during the Park-Grant-Morris rule, and for its early expose of the rotten police department, the inefficiency of which, began with the new organization under the commission form of government. It was GOODWIN'S WEEKLY that smoked the boys out and persistently kept up the fight for a decent administration of the city's affairs, particularly in the police department, and though some credit is due another journal for taking the tip and assisting in the good work during the past year, it had its beginning in these columns and the election of the men who will take office the first of the year, shows how well the voters appreciate the work.

At the same time, this will probably be the last non-partisan election for city officers ever held here. There has been so much dissatisfaction and so many personal fights have ensued under the non-partisan plan that there is a general feeling that there should be a lineup of parties so that the credit or blame may be put where it belongs.

In the meantime everything is propitious for an administration of the city's affairs such as Salt Lake has not had for years, and in all probability there will be a thorough housecleaning, for that was one of the main objects of electing the men who have been chosen to succeed the present incumbents and we believe there is much better feeling in all quarters and a desire to work together for the progress of the entire community.

On top of his performance that got him in Dutch with so many prominent Democrats at the time of the visit of Secretary McAdoo, when he

made a strenuous attempt to monopolize that distinguished gentleman's time, "Spinach" Wallace is dashing about madly claiming credit for the appointment of Tillman D. Johnson as federal judge. On Thursday in the story of Judge Johnson's appointment, the Herald-Republican said: "At one time a fight was made by politicians on the proposed appointment of Judge Johnson, but after a conference between W. R. Wallace, Democratic national committeeman, and Judge Johnson, Mr. Wallace supported the Ogden man's candidacy."

Yes he did. Right up to the last minute he was supporting the candidacy of Mr. Holman, which was the only disparaging feature in connection with the discussion of the possible appointment of that eminent young attorney.

Claiming credit for the Johnson appointment only goes to show what a political foreflusher "Spinach" happens to be and simply furthers the belief that in playing the Democracy and the church, he is doing it with the sole object of building up personal political capital. He has opposed practically every appointment of federal officers for this city, and probably had he had his way, Tillman D. Johnson would not have been named for the position of federal judge. He is persistently creating more discord in the Democratic ranks than anyone else in the state, and there are those prominent in the councils nationally who know the injury he is doing to the party here.

Slippery Dickery Dock
Ran up the municipal clock;
But the works were slow and it wouldn't go—
And now look at the damn thing.

"Who is this man Ferry?"
O, he ain't nobody nohow. Just the mayor,
that's all.

Here is the last shred of that scrap of paper, the Democratic platform of 1912: "We favor a single presidential term, and to that end urge the adoption of an amendment to the constitution making the president of the United States ineligible for re-election, and we pledge the candidate of this convention to this principle.".....
"Our pledges are made to be kept when in office."

It is gently intimated that Senator Jim Ham Lewis "is not averse" to becoming vice-president. But we think we can discern a considerable averseness on the part of his fellow-citizens to having him in the office.

Neither the resignation of Diaz, nor the assassination of Madero nor the forced withdrawal of Huerta served to "pacify" Mexico. Why should Mr. Wilson think that the recognition of Carranza will do it? The fact is that Mexico can be pacified only by a firm hand; the hand of the United States, to be exact.

The note to England protesting against her unlawful interference with our ocean traffic as a neutral trading with neutral nations was handed to the president in the early part of October. But the president was a long time in getting around to read it and revise it and give it his O. K. He was too busy composing letters designed to aid the Democratic candidates for office in states where elections take place this year.

Hon. Eugene N. Foss, of Massachusetts, is quoted as saying: "All agree that the Underwood law is inadequate. Nothing but the war has saved the situation for the American manufacturer." As Mr. Foss has played politics on both sides of the protective issue, possibly this points his arrival at a settled conviction at last.

BRODERSGRANT OCH CARLSON, VALE

(In Various Languages.)

By T. G.

Broders Grant och Carlson
Sarval!
For sixty days you skal
Give orders for dem chinks not to smoke
Dose noodles in Plum alley.
On New Year's morning, someone will say:
"Happy New Year! Broders Grant and Carlson,"
And what will you say?
Broder Grant will say:
"It can't be done."
And Broder Carlson will say:
"Yo go to hal."
"And for vy iss it, Mawruss?"
"Vell, being a policeman oder a grifter
Oder a crime defective is a business,
But being out of a job is not,
And also, Abe,
Being a good broder is only being a broder,
But ven you wear a star
Something different it is."
And also it is a very nice ting.
When you don't wear a star,
Sometimes it means a feller has to work
But when you do wear a star
You can walk about
Picking up
Peanuts,
Bananas,
Apples,
And anything else that is
Loose;
Also if you are awake at midnight
When the drinks are being served
In teacups, you can slide in
The cafe kitchen and
Pick a partridge
And flirt with a quart of Clicquot.
Arrivederci Grant and Carlson freres!
No longer will you warm the chairs
Or give the third degree to a
Poor lost woman or petty offender
While the thugs, grafters, riggers, crimps, macs,
Canons, dips, up-and-down men
Yeggs, peter men and hop-heads
Take the unsuspecting, in our midst.
Adios amigos, it will be hard to work,
But perhaps it won't be necessary.
We know it won't if you have been
Fairly frugal.
For you have had nice salaries
And though you have had no side money,
During your regime and would not accept it
Were it offered
You,
You should have a little put by for a rainy day,
And the predictions are that it is going
To rain a lot next spring.
Spring, by the way, is
Housecleaning time and there is
Going to be quite a cleaning.
But in passing, allow us to assure you
That no one regrets your near
Departure more than we do.
You have both been sources of
Infinite jest
And in this lackadaisical existence,
It is hard work finding a pair
As funny as you are.
So we hope your retirement
will not be permanent,
For there are too few who contribute
To the joy of the world.
A happy and prosperous new year
To you both,
With our heartfelt thanks for
Increasing our circulation,
Good night broders Grant and Carlson,
I thank you.